

A COMPLIMENT FOR EDWARD M. GROUT.

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A Committee Named on Ap-
peals and Grievances.

Edward M. Grout was given the indorsement of the Democratic General Committee of Kings County last night for appointment on the Greater New York Commission.

The resolution suggesting his name to the Governor went through with a whirl and with cheers. It was introduced by Civil Justice Murphy, and when it was read Mr. Grout took the floor and said he thought such action was out of place at a political gathering.

Chairman York said he thought so, too, although he would gladly second the motion, and while the committee was besting Justice Murphy took it by storm by saying that he didn't want Governor Morton to fall in appointing one good Democrat by reason of the bashfulness of the Democrats themselves.

"That's right!" yelled a dozen good Democrats, and then the resolution was adopted unanimously.

It is considered of great significance in Brooklyn, and many politicians think it will secure for Mr. Grout a plum that will carry nearly as much honor with it as being Mayor of Brooklyn.

In addition to being a compliment to Mr. Grout, the resolution was in the nature of a balm to his feelings, which were seriously injured by the defeat of a pet amendment he offered to the scheme of having an arbitration committee of one member from each ward—thirty-two in all—to settle ward disputes. Mr. Grout thought that arbitrators should not be allowed to vote on questions affecting their own wards, but after some bitter talk and innumerable points of order, Mr. Grout's amendment was lost. The final vote had to be by roll call, Mr. Grout and Mr. York, the tellers on a standing vote, being unable to agree on the count.

After the defeat of the amendment the original proposition went through unanimously. It provides for a committee on appeals and grievances, which will hear all complaints resulting from primaries. On the committee will be one member of the General Committee from each ward.

When any complaint arises the secretary of the General Committee is to be immediately apprised of the fact, and he will convene the committee on Appeals and Grievances, which will meet in the Athletic Club. After this committee reaches a decision it makes a report to the General Committee.

The date for holding Assembly conventions was fixed as June 8. The conventions will be called at 8 p. m. In election districts where primaries were not held they will be held next Thursday evening.

DICKEY'S CHARGE WAS BRIEF.

Told Grand Jurymen to Go Ahead and Do Their Duty.

The June term of the Queens County Supreme Court was opened in Long Island City yesterday by Judge Dickey. His charge to the Grand Jury was the briefest ever delivered in the county, according to several lawyers who were present. He told them in substance that they were aware of their duty, and to go ahead and perform it.

Justice Dickey created some laughter among the lawyers and court attendants while talking to the pleas of trial jurors who wanted to be excused. One juror said he was a commercial traveler, and his business would be interfered with if he was not excused.

"Have you ever served as a juror before?" asked the judge.

"No, sir," replied the commercial traveler.

"Well, it's time you did," said the judge. "We all have to earn our living in one way or another, and the business of these men is interfered with by being called here as jurors."

"How long have you been in this country?" asked the judge.

"Twenty years," was the reply.

"Well, you will do well enough."

There are thirty-three cases on the Special calendar, three on the preferred and 125 on the general calendar. Among the latter is the suit of former Public Works Commissioner Henry W. Sharkey, of Long Island City, against the Rev. Charles Clark, pastor of the Astoria Presbyterian Church, for slander. Another case, which will attract attention is the suit of Police Captain Anthony S. Gould against Mayor Patrick J. Gleason, for \$50,000 for slander.

A KNIFE UP HIS SLEEVE.

Prisoner Logue, When Aroused in His Cell, Tries to Stab the Doorman.

Edward Logue, a shirt cutter, while crazed with liquor Sunday night, returned to his home, No. 106 Walworth street, Williamsburg, and beat his wife. He then ran to the street and, meeting Policeman Schneider on the Vernon avenue station, invited the officer to fight.

Schneider took Logue to the station house, where he was locked up. While searching him the doorman overlooked a contraband knife Logue had hidden up his sleeve. When an attempt was made to remove it from his cell yesterday morning he attempted to cut the doorman. The latter seized the prisoner's arm and shouted for help. Two policemen quickly responded. After a half tussle Logue was disarmed and taken to the Lee Avenue Police Court. His wife was there with both eyes badly discolored to plead for her husband's release. "I don't want him punished," said the woman, "notwithstanding he cruelly beat me and please let him go."

Justice Goetting thought that twenty-nine days in the County Jail was too long for a good and committed him for that time.

Nassau Railroad Protests.

The report of the Union Street Commission, which was against the construction of a Nassau Railroad line through that street, was protested against in the ap- pellate branch of the Supreme Court, Brooklyn, yesterday, by counsel for the company.

Decision was reserved.

Pleads Guilty to Robbery.

William McGall, who was arrested on Thursday last, accused of highway robbery, was arraigned yesterday in the Lee Avenue Police Court, Williamsburg, and was re- manded for the action of the Grand Jury.

He pleaded guilty. Charlie Nichols, daughter of a retired jewelry living at No. 80 Lee avenue, was walking along Rodney street, when McGall ran up behind her and snatched her purse.

SAID SHE WAS CLUBBED.

Mrs. Brady Made a Charge Against the Policeman Who Arrested Her for Intoxication.

Mrs. Brady, who lives at No. 335 Wythe avenue, Williamsburg, was arrested Sunday night by Policeman Maher, of the Bedford Avenue Station, on a charge of intoxication. When the woman was arraigned in the Lee Avenue Police Court yesterday, she pleaded not guilty. Maher did not appear and the charge was made by Policeman Dudgeon, who was on the wagon in which Mrs. Brady was taken to the station house.

The woman declared that at the time of her arrest she was looking for a place where she could buy some brandy for her husband who was sick. "The policeman not only arrested me," said the woman, "but clubbed me as well."

The magistrate adjourned the case until to-day, instructing Policeman Dudgeon to see that Officer Maher appeared against his prisoner, Mrs. Brady was then paroled.

MERCHANT ROSZEL'S MISTAKE.

Had He Pleaded Guilty He Might Have Escaped a Scene in Court.

Justice J. Lott Nostrand had 110 cases to dispose of in the West Brighton, Coney Island, Police Court yesterday.

The usual number of cases of over-indulgence and vagrancy were cared for first. Then the case of A. J. Roszel, a New York oil merchant, living in Hoboken, N. J., and James C. Breslin was called. The two men had been arrested early in the morning with two colored women for behaving disorderly on Kensington walk, near the Bowers, by Patrolman Murphy. Breslin admitted his guilt and was fined \$5. Mr. Roszel, who is a fine looking man of middle age, with gray hair and gold-rimmed eyeglasses, pleaded not guilty. He was given an examination.

"Judge, I am an innocent man and my arrest was an outrage. I drove down here yesterday with my wife and child, and I have been in the habit of doing for the past seven years. Mr. Breslin and I went into a colored show on the Bowers, where a fight occurred. The officer said he wanted us as witnesses, and when we reached the police station he locked us up on a charge of intoxication. My name and my wife's name are in the Albany Hotel now. I never saw the two colored women before."

Patrolman Murphy said Mr. Roszel and Mr. Breslin were walking on Kensington walk with two colored women. Mr. Roszel, the officer said, was carrying the green silk cape of one of the colored women on his arm. When he arrested them the men showed fight and he had some trouble in getting them to the patrol box. Then it was that Mr. Roszel admitted that he knew the women, having had strictly business dealings with them in New York.

Justice Nostrand smiled as he said to Mr. Roszel: "You might better have pleaded guilty to the charge of intoxication, rather than had this showing up before a court room full of people. It would only have cost you \$5. I understand your wife is in court, shall suspend sentence and allow your wife to attend to your case."

Clara Hughes was the name of the colored woman whose cape he was carrying when arrested. She and her companion, Mary Cole, were each fined \$5.

MORTON DISAPPOINTS THEM.

Governor Will Not Review the Williams- burg Sunday-School Parade.

The refusal of Governor Morton to review the parade of the Williamsburg Sunday school children, which is to take place on Thursday, has caused considerable comment among the teachers, and members of the various churches. It was generally understood that the Governor would be on the reviewing stand, and nothing to the contrary was known until Chairman S. H. Macdowell, of the Sunday School Association, and the grand marshal of the parade, announced at the final meeting Saturday night that the Governor would not attend.

Justice Dickey, who presided at the meeting, had received a letter from Governor Morton to that effect, and he (Macdowell) had gone so far as to hasten to Albany last week and try to get the Governor to reconsider his refusal. The excuse given to Mr. Macdowell, according to the latter, was because of Governor Morton's acceptance of the invitation to review the children of the schools of the Western District on Friday.

Mr. Macdowell intimated that, in his opinion, the Republican wire pullers at Albany were responsible for the Governor's action.

Major Wurster and other city officials will, however, review the children.

REDUCTION FOR WINKEMER.

His Former Wife's Alimony Cut Down \$100 a Month by Judge Gaynor.

When Mrs. Maude W. Winkemer, got a divorce from Christian F. Winkemer, Justice Gaynor ordered him to pay her \$300 a month alimony for at least four years. It was stipulated then that at the end of that time Mrs. Winkemer might ask for an increase of the award, and that the defendant might also move for a decrease of it.

Yesterday Justice Gaynor changed the order reducing the amount to \$200 a month on Winkemer's petition. The latter said he could not afford to pay \$300, which was more than he really made. In his memorandum Justice Gaynor said:

"It now appears beyond question that the defendant's means was much less than was fairly supposed. He has three children by his first wife to support. The plaintiff has one child. I allow the plaintiff \$2,400 a year to be paid in monthly installments of \$200 on the first day of each month, beginning May 1, 1896. If the sum of \$2,400 a year is given to her for her care, maintenance and education of the child, and its payments shall cease on the day which the child reaches the age of 18, it leaves her care previously."

BROOKLYN'S FINE DRIVEWAY.

Over \$1,000,000 to Be Spent in Improving Eastern Parkway.

Park Commissioner Woodruff announced yesterday that he intended to push the work of extending the Eastern Parkway from its present eastern terminus at Ralph avenue to Highland Park.

There is a stretch of one and one-half miles between the present terminus at Highland Park, and the city will have to buy about 370 pieces of property that will be needed to construct the great boulevard. Commissioner Woodruff has \$1,200,000 to spend in the improvement. One-half will be used in buying land and the rest for labor and material.

The driveway will be about 110 feet in width, and will probably be fitted out with double tracks. When the plan is completed it is believed Brooklyn will have a drive stretching from Highland Park to Coney Island, about eleven miles in length. It will be made up of three connecting links: Eastern Parkway, the Prospect Park drive and the Ocean Parkway.

FELT THE THIEVES' TOUCH.

Mangel Raised a Cry and One Alleged Robber Was Captured.

Henry Mangel, who lives at No. 1193 Bushwick avenue, Williamsburg, while a passenger on an open car of the Broadway and Jamaica line last evening, felt a tug at his shirt front, and a moment later found his diamond pin, valued at \$150, missing.

The car had left the terminus of the road at the Broadway ferries only a few minutes before, and was crowded with passengers. Mangel at once shouted that he had been robbed. Then three young men who had been near him attempted to alight from the car. Mangel seized one man, while the other two escaped. The conductor and Mangel's assistance, and held the man until Policeman Conklin arrived and arrested him.

The man who was captured was a colored man, about twenty years of age, and was taken to the police station. He was charged with the robbery of Mangel's diamond pin, valued at \$150, missing.

OTHER TROLLEY ACCIDENTS.

Several Persons Injured in Brooklyn—A Horse Killed and Wagon Smashed.

Frederick Marquardt and his neighbor, Christopher Gray, both of No. 721 Seventh avenue, Brooklyn, went out for a drive down to Bensonhurst yesterday afternoon. In crossing at Twelfth avenue and Eighty-sixth street the phaeton was struck with tremendous force by car No. 23 of the Fifth Avenue trolley line. The vehicle and team of horses were hurled in a heap across the road. Marquardt and Gray were thrown to the ground and injured.

One of the horses was killed and the other badly injured. The wagon was smashed. Marquardt and his neighbor were injured, but the motorist, Thomas O'Brien, of No. 183 Fifteenth street, was hurt. He continued his trip to Coney Island, however.

Nassau line car No. 705 ran into one of Commodore Louis Bassett's trucks on Rogers avenue. The driver, John Geyer, of No. 804 Park avenue, had his right foot injured. Dr. Grubbs, of St. John's Hospital, attended to him.

A wagon driven by John McNeill was run down by car No. 2311 of the Myrtle avenue line at the Washington street crossing. McNeill and the horse were injured.

While Miss Ella Helms, twenty-one years old, of No. 1208 Fortieth street, was trying to get on a Third Avenue car at Fifty-eighth street last evening the car was suddenly started, throwing the young lady to the ground. Her shoulder was wrenched severely. She was removed to her home after receiving medical attention.

August Blomberg, thirty-five years old, of No. 25 Albany avenue, fell from a Nassau car on Degraw street and cut his scalp.

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TROLLEY BREAKS ANOTHER HEART.

Police Hunt Up Mrs. Kelsey to Tell Her of Her Little Boy's Fate.

The Baby Strays Away from Home
and Meets the Electric
Juggernaut.

LOOKS UP CALMLY AS IT COMES.

In an Instant He Is Lying in the Road with
a Fracture of the Skull and
Unconscious—Doctors Can
Give No Hope.

It is not an easy thing to hunt for a mother in order to tell her news that may break her heart, but that is what the police of the Forty-third Street Station, in Brooklyn, had to do yesterday. Finally, they found her and she hurried to the Norwegian Hospital, there to find her baby boy, his little head swathed in bandages and his eyes closed in unconsciousness. She had learned on the way thither how the wee lad had been run down on Fifth avenue by the trolley. She learned in the hospital that his skull had been fractured, and when she asked, "Will he live?" Dr. Lack, the house surgeon, looked away from

him and said: "No, he will not."

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The other members of the company will go to the fire on their bicycles, and in order to protect their wheels from vandals they will be left in charge of a detailed guard. In speaking of the plans Chief Busick said:

"By using bicycles we will be able to reach a fire as quickly as an organized department in a big city. Besides, the boys will take more interest in the fire company, and that is what is needed to make it effective. When the alarm is sounded it will take but about two minutes for every member of the